

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

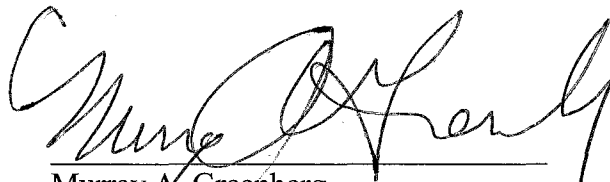
**DATE:** December 5, 2006

**FROM:** Murray A. Greenberg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution requesting the  
State to approve a voter  
verifiable paper trail for  
touchscreen voting systems

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez.



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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 11 (A) (3)

12-05-06

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE TO APPROVE A  
VOTER VERIFIABLE PAPER TRAIL FOR TOUCHSCREEN  
VOTING SYSTEMS AND EXPANDING THE LANGUAGE  
DISPLAY CAPABILITY FOR OPTICAL SCAN READERS

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2.06 of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter,  
the County follows the provisions of the State election laws; and

**WHEREAS**, State election law prohibits the use of any electronic voting equipment that  
has not been approved by the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the State has not yet approved the use of any device which would provide a  
paper trail for touchscreen voting equipment or any optical scan reader with trilingual display  
capability; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board believes that the use of a verifiable paper trail for touchscreen  
voting would enhance voter confidence in electronic voting; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board believes that because the ballots in Miami-Dade County are in  
English, Spanish, and Creole, the optical scan readers should be enhanced to provide trilingual  
display capability,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:**

Section 1. This Board hereby requests that the Division of Elections of the Secretary  
of State's office be encouraged to approve the use of a verifiable paper trail system that is  
compatible with the County's iVotronic voting system and to approve also the use of an optical  
scan reader with trilingual display capability.

Section 2. The Clerk of this Board send a certified copy of this resolution to the Florida Secretary of State, the Director of the Florida Division of Elections, and the members of the Miami-Dade legislative delegation.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Audrey M. Edmonson	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.  
Murray A. Greenberg

